



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

FIRE DEPARTMENT

1320 NORTH EASTERN AVENUE
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90063-3294
(323) 881-2401

P. MICHAEL FREEMAN
FIRE CHIEF
FORESTER & FIRE WARDEN

December 14, 2010

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Han Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVAL OF CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH FRANKLIN D. PRATT M.D.
FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL PROGRAM DESIGN,
IMPLEMENTATION AND SUPERVISION SERVICES
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

The Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (District) is requesting Board approval to authorize the Fire Chief to extend the existing Emergency Medical Program Design, Implementation and Supervision Services contract with Dr. Franklin D. Pratt, M.D. for twelve (12) months on a month-to-month basis.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY:**

1. Delegate authority to the Fire Chief to extend the existing Emergency Medical Program Design, Implementation and Supervision Services with Dr. Franklin D. Pratt, M.D. for a period of twelve (12) months on a month-to-month basis, not to exceed the cost of \$103,128.40.

SERVING THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE CITIES OF:

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BALDWIN PARK
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2. Find that this agreement is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The existing contract between the District and Dr. Franklin D. Pratt, M.D., will expire on December 31, 2010. The District is currently in the development process of solicitation to establish a new contract for the Emergency Medical Program Design, Implementation and Supervision Services. Amendment Number 4 (Attachment A) to the existing contract to extend Dr. Pratt's services for an additional twelve (12) months on a month-to-month basis is necessary to ensure a continuation of EMS quality assurance expertise, design, and implementation and supervision support services for the District during the solicitation of a new contract.

Approval of the recommended action will authorize the Fire Chief to amend the existing contract on a month-to-month basis for an additional twelve (12) months with Franklin D. Pratt, M.D. The Fire Chief can terminate the extended contract at anytime during the twelve (12) month period or when the new contract has been approved by your Board. The only change to the contract is to extend the term for twelve months on a month-to-month basis.

The District requires the continuation of Medical Director Services for emergency medical program quality assurance expertise to ensure compliance with State Emergency Medical Authority regulations; some of these programs require the presence of a Medical Director to run the program. Dr. Pratt provides the necessary experience and background to monitor the performance of the EMS personnel to maintain a level of quality assurance services provided to the public and limit the District's exposure to liability claims.

Contractor will bill for services on a monthly basis instead of quarterly (Attachment B).

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended action is consistent with County Strategic Plan Goal 1, Operational Effectiveness, and Goal 5, Public Safety.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The cost of this contract extension will not exceed \$103,128.40. The District has funds in its 2010-11 Fiscal Year operating budget to finance these services. There is no impact on net County cost.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENT

The District responds to an excess of 200,000 Emergency Medical Service calls per year. Additionally, LACoFD has on-going programs related to Wellness/Fitness Initiatives, anti-terrorism responses, and Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) programs.

Dr. Pratt has the necessary education, background, and institutional knowledge to ensure successful compliance with the many state emergency medical authority regulations and the District's medical requirements related to the National Fire Fighter Wellness/Fitness initiative, anti-terrorism response, and urban search and rescue programs. As the medical implications of the District's services and programs have grown over the last 15 years, his knowledge and experience have kept pace with these new services and programs to ensure successful implementation. Dr. Pratt has also completed specialized anti-terrorism training from the Department of Defense and Justice. The success of the District's programs is primarily due to the years of cultivation contributed by Dr. Pratt.

The District has utilized all options to extend the contract and the contract must be amended in order to ensure a continuation of services.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The existing contract for a Medical Emergency Program Design, Implementation and Supervision Services was established through a board contract approved by your Board on December 13, 2005, as a sole source and the Fire Chief's delegated authority to extend this contract has been maximized. The contractor has agreed to hold the same rates, terms and conditions for the twelve (12) month extension period.

The current contract will expire December 31, 2010; this amendment will allow time for the District to go out for solicitation and establish a new contract. The District anticipates a new contract to be in place no later than December 2011.

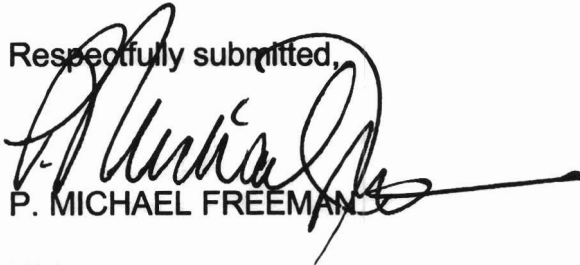
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of this recommendation will ensure continuous performance review, implementation of new techniques and overseeing the continuous training of EMT Paramedics, who respond to over 200,000 EMS calls annually.

CONCLUSION

Upon execution by your Honorable Board, please provide the District with an original certified copy of the adopted Board letter. It is requested that the Executive Office of the Board notify the District's Contract Administrator, Lucy Guadiana, at (323) 838-2275 when the documents become available.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "P. Michael Freeman", is written over a light gray rectangular background. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

P. MICHAEL FREEMAN

PMF:pv

Attachment

c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Auditor-Controller

ATTACHMENT A

**AMENDMENT NUMBER 4 TO CONTRACT NUMBER 75476
FOR FRANKLIN D. PRATT, M.D., FOR
EMERGENCY MEDICAL PROGRAM DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION
AND SUPERVISION SERVICES**

This Amendment Number 4 to the Emergency Medical Program Design, Implementation and Supervision Services Contract, is made and entered into this _____ day of _____ 2010

BY AND BETWEEN THE

CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
HEREIN REFERRED TO AS ("DISTRICT")

AND

FRANKLIN D. PRATT, M.D., hereinafter
referred to as ("CONTRACTOR") for
Emergency Medical Program Design,
Implementation and Supervision Services,

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2009, the District and Franklin D. Pratt, M.D., entered into Amendment Number 1 for Contract Number 75476 to provide the District Emergency Medical Program Design, Implementation and Supervision Services; and

WHEREAS, on January 1, 2010, the District and Franklin D. Pratt, M.D., entered into Agreement Number 2 for Contract Number 75476 to provide the District Emergency Medical Program Design, Implementation and Supervision Services; and

WHEREAS, on February 11, 2010, the District and Franklin D. Pratt, M.D., entered into Agreement Number 3, Board motion to have Departments identify contractors that agree to cost County's Cost Reduction Program; and

WHEREAS, Contract Number 75476 provides that changes to its terms may be made in the form of a written amendment which is formally approved and executed by the parties.

NOW THEREFORE, District and Contractor hereby agree to Amendment Number 4 to Contract Number 75476 to extend the terms of said Contract for an additional twelve (12) months, on a month-to-month basis from January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011.

1. Paragraph 4.0, TERM OF CONTRACT, shall be revised to read as follows:

"4.0 TERM OF CONTRACT:

- A. The term of this Contract shall be effective as of January 1, 2011 with provisions for automatic renewals on a month-to-month basis through December 31, 2011.
This contract shall remain in full force and effect until December 31, 2011.
 - B. For the purpose of the month-to-month period, either party may give notice of its intent not to renew ten (10) days prior to the start of each month's extension.
 - C. In any event, this Contract may be cancelled or terminated by either party, with or without cause, upon the giving of at least thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice to the other."
2. Paragraph 5.0 CONTRACT SUM, shall be revised to read as follows:
5.2 Consultant's prices as described in Statement of Quarterly Rates and Expenses Exhibit B (Attachment B) to be charged on a monthly basis during the twelve (12) month-to-month extensions.
 3. In addition, the following language shall be added to the contract under terms and conditions as follows:

8.51 TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in Paragraph 8.50 "Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program" shall constitute default under this contract. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this contract, failure of Contractor to cure such default within 10 days of notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this contract and/or pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.206.

4. Except as provided in this Amendment Number 4, all other terms and conditions of the Contract shall be in full force and effect,
5. This Amendment Number 4 shall be effective when signed by both parties.

CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

By: _____
Signature

Name: _____
Print

Title: _____

Date: _____

FRANKLIN D. PRATT, M.D.

By: _____
Signature

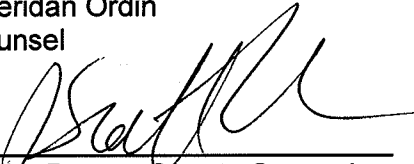
Name: _____
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Title: _____

Date: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Andrea Sheridan Ordin
County Counsel

By: 
Senior Deputy County Counsel

**CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
SPECIFIC PROPOSAL FOR QUARTERLY BILL RATES**

Contractor Name: Dr. Franklin D. Pratt Contract No.: 75476
Address: 302 16th Street
City: Santa Monica State: CA Zip: 90402

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL PROGRAM DESIGN, IMPLIEMENTATIONS AND
SUPERVISION SERVICES** is all inclusive, i.e., office supplies as stated on the SOW

RATE
\$7341.03
Per monthly

EXPENSE: TRAVEL, TRAINING, SUBSCRIPTIONS AND MEMBERSHIP

RATE
\$1,250.00
Per monthly

The rate must include all overhead, insurance and profit.

By FRANKLIN D. PRATT, MD Date 11/30/2010
Print Name/Title


Signature